

# **Village Connect**

**Electronic Newsletter** 

"To Provide a Safe, Quality Community Environment for all Islanders through Responsible Government"

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Date: Sept. 6, 2010

# Village Council Meeting

Date: Sept. 7, 2010 Time: 7:00 pm Place: Council Chamber

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Dates: Sept. 13-17, 2010

Village Council Meeting (1st Budget Hearing)

Date: Sept. 14,

2010

Time: 7:00 pm Place: Council Chamber

# September 2010

# **Village Council Election on November 2**

Nine candidates are running for three Village Council seats. According to Village Clerk Conchita H. Alvarez, the following residents qualified by 12:00 noon on August 19: The Honorable Michael W. Davey, The Honorable Michael Estevez, Mr. Leonard Levy, Mr. Julio Padilla, Ms. Mayra Pena Lindsay, Mr.



James S. Taintor III, Mr. Charles Viscito, Mr. Glen H. Waldman and The Honorable Patricia Woodson. Voter registration for the November 2, 2010 election closes on October 4. For more information on eligibility and how to register, visit the <a href="Miami-Dade">Miami-Dade</a> County elections website.

# **Stay Prepared During Hurricane Season**

Mid-September, the midpoint of the Atlantic Hurricane Season from June 1 through November 30, often marks an increase in storm activity; therefore, lets all make sure



we have a Hurricane Plan. All residents and property owners are urged to visit the <u>Village website's Hurricane and Flood Information section</u> for updated material for the 2010 season. Key Biscayne is in a "Special Flood Hazard Area" owing to its island setting and low elevation, and flooding from storm surges and rainfall is a major threat. By knowing your vulnerability and what actions you should take, you can reduce the effects of a storm on your property and yourself. These reminders are especially important since we have not experienced a significant flood event in several years.

# **New Youth Soccer Program Makes Its Debut**

The Key Biscayne Soccer Club, Inc. (KBSC) is the new official Village-sanctioned organization providing soccer coaching and competition for girls and boys between the ages of 3 and 17. The KBSC is a non-profit organization headed by a steering committee of

# Pension Board Meeting

Date: Sept. 23, 2010

Time: 5:30 pm Place: Council Chamber

# Village Council Meeting (2nd Budget Hearing)

Date: Sept. 28,

2010

Time: 7:00 pm Location: Council Chamber

# K-8 Education Advisory Board Meeting

Date: Oct. 5, 2010 Time: 9:15 am Place: BZP Conference Room, Village Hall

Columbus Day -Village Offices Closed, Community Center Open Date: Oct. 11, 2010

October Bulky Waste Pick-up Week

Dates: Oct. 11-15, 2010

# Village Council Meeting

Date: Oct. 12, 2010 Time: 7:00 pm Place: Council Chamber

Village Council Meeting (Zoning)

volunteers. KBSC's philosophy is simple: to make decisions based on the best interest of the kids, not on making profits. The goal is to teach kids to play and love the game of soccer. More information about recreational and travel programs, registration deadlines and the KBSC is available at the <a href="Active Islander website">Active Islander website</a>'s soccer news <a href="article">article</a>. While you are visiting the website be sure to check out the selection of Fall 2010 classes and programs!

## **Water-Sewer-Reuse Project Update**

All property owners in Zones 1, 2/3 and 4 can hook up to the new sewer as of June 30, 2010 (excluding several properties along Harbor Point Drive). Water service to all homes is now from the new ductile iron pipes. For maps of the Zones and Phases, sewer hook-up guidelines, requirements for mandatory connections and contact information should you have questions, visit the <u>WSR News</u> article at the Village website.

## **Public Works Equipment Moves to New Location**

Public Works vehicles, equipment, supplies and the Village Dumpster are now located behind La Carreta Restaurant at 12 Crandon Boulevard. The yard was previously located at 530 Crandon Boulevard, the site of a future park. Single-family home and duplex residents may dispose of their bulky material in the Dumpster from Monday to Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and specifically, on the following Saturdays: September 4th, 18th; October 2nd, 16th, 30th; November 13th, 27th; and December 11th.

Residents are reminded that only vegetation, white goods and personal items such as furniture may be placed in the Dumpster. Not accepted are construction materials, hazardous materials and any item that requires a permit to replace. If you need more information, please visit the <u>Village website's Solid Waste and Recycling webpage</u> or call the Department of Public Works at (305) 365-8945.

# **Back to School Traffic Safety Tips**

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Community Traffic Safety Program and Key Biscayne Police Department officers remind motorists, parents and students to take extra



traffic safety precautions now that school is underway. The beginning of the school year is a time when children are at increased risk of transportation-related injuries from pedestrian, bicycle, school bus, and motor vehicle crashes. Tips for making back to school commutes safer for motorists and students are available at the Village website.

Date: Oct. 26, 2010 Time: 7:00 pm Place: Council Chamber

## Village Halloween Haunted House

Date: Oct. 31, 2010 Time: 6:00 pm Place: 530 Crandon Boulevard

## **Election Day**

Date: Nov. 2, 2010 Time: 7:00 am -

7:00 pm

Place: Community

Center

# New Mayor and Councilmember Installation Ceremony

Date: Nov. 10, 2010

Time: TBA Place: TBA

Veterans Day -Village Offices Closed, Community Center Open

Date: Nov. 11, 2010

# 33rd Annual Lighthouse Run

Date: Nov. 13, 2010 Time: 7:45 am Place: Bill Baggs Cape Florida State

Park

November Bulky Waste Pick-up Week

Dates: Nov. 15-19,

2010

## **Village Council**

## **Village Department News You Can Use**

## **Building, Zoning and Planning:**

Renewals for Local Tax Receipts for Businesses and Professionals have been mailed. Payment is due on or before October 1 of each year to avoid a late fee. A drop box for convenient payment is located at the left end of the Permit Clerk counter (Suite 250, Village Hall). Please call (305) 365-7563 if you have any questions.

#### Parks and Recreation:

The kick-off rally for the Key Biscayne Relay For Life 2011 will be on October 19, 2010 from 5:30-7:00 p.m. at co-sponsor U.S. Century Bank's location in The Square Shopping Center located at 260 Crandon Blvd. The Village is a co-sponsor of the 18-hour event that will take place on the Village Green on April 15, 2011. Refreshments will be served. For more information, please call Heather Utset of the American Cancer Society at (305) 720-3873.

### Police:

The Key Biscayne Police Department wants to make sure all children are secured properly in appropriate car seats at all times. During Child Passenger Safety Week (September 19-25), parents and caregivers are urged to make sure their child safety seats and booster seats are properly installed and used in their vehicles. Learn more at the Child Passenger Safety Week webpage.

## **Public Works:**

Please protect our environment and dispose of hazardous materials (paint, home and garden chemicals, CFL bulbs, etc.) appropriately. Miami-Dade County operates two Home Chemical Collection Centers for safe disposal of these items. Locations and a list of acceptable items can be found at the Miami-Dade website.

Comments? Questions? Suggestions? Send an email to <a href="mailto:jmedina@keybiscayne.fl.gov">jmedina@keybiscayne.fl.gov</a>

### **Your Village Government**

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## Meeting

Date: Nov. 16, 2010 Time: 7:00 pm Place: Council Chamber

# Pension Board Meeting

Date: Nov. 18, 2010 Time: 5:30 pm Place: Council Chamber

# Village Council Meeting (Zoning)

Date: Nov. 23, 2010 Time: 7:00 pm Place: Council Chamber

Thanksgiving -Village Offices and Community Center Closed Date: Nov. 25, 2010

Day After
Thanksgiving Village Offices
Closed,
Community
Center Open

Date: Nov. 26, 2010

More information on these events is available at the <u>Village website</u> Event Calendar

## Contact Information

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